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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of Edward I. Wulfman, Thomas J. Clement, Craig E. Lawson
Michel Kliot and David C. Auth

Group Art Unit: 3763

Application No. : 09/826,487
Filing Date : April 4, 2001
For : INTRALUMENAL MATERIAL REMOVAL
SYSTEMS AND METHODS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENTAssistant Commissioner For Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir or Madam:

Kindly amend the subject application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claim 19.

REMARKS

Claim 19 has been cancelled from the subject application without prejudice to subsequent prosecution of claims to the subject matter of cancelled claim 19 in a related application. This amendment is not being made for reasons related to patentability and therefore does not give rise to prosecution history estoppel. Nor does this amendment constitute new matter.

A Petition to Correct Inventorship of this application is being submitted concurrently with this Amendment.

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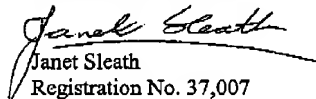
COMMUNICATION

Assistant Commissioner For Patents
Washington DC 20231

Dear Sir or Madam:

A Preliminary Amendment and a Petition to Amend Inventorship under 37 CFR 1.48(b) of the subject application were filed by facsimile on January 31, 2002. The Transmittal Letter filed on January 31, 2002, incorrectly identified the application no. as 09/724,914. A Corrected Transmittal Letter correctly identifying the application no as 09/826,487 is submitted herewith, together with a copy of the Preliminary Amendment and Petition to Amend Inventorship..

Respectfully submitted,


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